

SECRETARY OF STATE

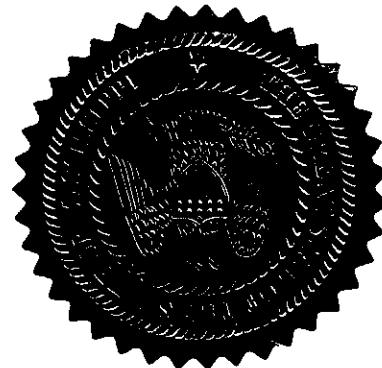
C. DELBERT HOSEMANN, JR.

BY THE GOVERNOR:

GOVERNOR  
PHIL BRYANT

*Phil Bryant*

Done at the Capitol in the City of Jackson,  
the 30th day of November, in the year of our  
Lord two thousand twelve, and of the  
Independence of the United States of  
America, the two hundred and thirty-  
seventh.



Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.  
hereunto set my hand and caused the Great  
Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bryant, by the authority vested in me as Governor  
by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim a period of  
official mourning in the State of Mississippi and do hereby order the State Flag on all  
buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction fly at  
half staff, beginning at sunrise and ending at sunset on Monday, December 3, 2012, in  
memorance of a dedicated Mississippi public servant, Senator Benjie L. Turner.

WHEREAS, the prayers of this State are with the family and friends of Senator  
Benjie L. Turner;

WHEREAS, Senator Turner served as Chairman of the Senate Ethics Committee.  
Vice Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, and former Chairman of the Judiciary  
Committee; and

WHEREAS, Senator Turner was a member of the Magnolia and Mississippi Bar  
Associations and the National Association of Black Owned Broadcasters; and  
served until his death; and

WHEREAS, he was first elected to the Mississippi State Senate in 1993 where he  
served until his death; and

WHEREAS, Senator Turner is survived by his wife, Edna Walker Turner and  
three daughters: Angelia, Carolyn and Letta; and

WHEREAS, Senator Turner was a native of Clay County, Mississippi; and  
the passing of Senator Benjie L. Turner; and

WHEREAS, on November 27, 2012, Mississippi lost a respected statesman with

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1309



Office of the Governor

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI